HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1418 By Mumpower

A RESOLUTION to recognize Minnie Miller, Johnson County
Director of Schools, upon the occasion of her
retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize, particularly on the occasion of their retirement, those outstanding educators and administrators who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Minnie Miller is one such estimable administrator, who will be taking a much deserved retirement at the conclusion of this school year; and

WHEREAS, throughout her illustrious five-year tenure as Director of Schools for Johnson City, Minnie Miller has served with the utmost acumen and alacrity, leading and positively influencing the students, faculty, and staff of the local school system; and

WHEREAS, a Johnson County native, Minnie Miller was the first person in her family to attend college; she credits her husband of almost thirty-eight years, Bob, with continual encouragement, always being in support of her career advancements, and listening patiently when she was frustrated or upset; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is grateful for Ms. Miller's leadership abilities and her accomplishments of the past five years; with elaborate program expansions, additional classes and classrooms to accommodate an anticipated increase in student population, and an innovative technological partnership on the horizon, the outlook is most encouraging for the Johnson County School System; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Miller is proud of the positive growth that the Board, administration, teachers, support staff, students, and parents working together have been able to achieve; several major goals were recently reached, including a complete facelift of the football field

grandstands at the Paul H. McEwen stadium on the high school/middle school campus; the extraordinary "straight A" report card for value added on the latest State educational assessment; and the accreditation of all Johnson County Schools, so that the system will now be able to pursue District Accreditation; and

WHEREAS, Minnie Miller has helped to build pride in the Johnson County School System, always using the theme of *The Little Engine That Could* to help students and staff believe in what they could accomplish; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Miller is an extremely talented and compassionate administrator who has worked assiduously to motivate her students, faculty, and staff to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, her many professional accomplishments aside, Minnie Miller is most appreciative of the love, support, and companionship of her extended family, including her two sisters, Cloyce Eller and Joy Cress, and their six children and twelve grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Miller truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues, faculty, staff, and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Director Minnie Miller truly epitomizes the dedicated administrator who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized for her manifold achievements on the occasion of her retirement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor Minnie Miller, Director of the Johnson County School System, commending her exceptional service to the children and educators of Tennessee, saluting her professional expertise and personal excellence, and extending to her our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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